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Subject: Irradiated foods.

Please continue to require prominent labeling which notifies the consumer that irradiation has occurred to that particular food item. The choice of whether or not to ingest or to buy irradiated products should be left to the discretion of the consumer.

Irradiation is a process that can change a food's taste, texture, and the amount of nutrients contained in the food. Therefore, I oppose changing the labeling law. If any changes are made, the changes should be to make the logo more prominent, and the print on the packaging larger.

Sincerely,

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